

REMARKS

I. Summary of Office Action

Claims 1-25 were pending in the above referenced case. Claims 13-25 have been withdrawn in view of the Examiner's restriction requirement.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to Figures 2-11 and to the Brief Description of Drawings section.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-10 for lack of antecedent basis. The Examiner also rejected claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Rajan *et al.* U.S. Patent No. 6,725,425 (hereinafter "Rajan").

II. Summary of Applicants' Amendment

Applicants have amended the specification and the drawings in order to correct certain typographical errors and minor informalities. Applicants believe that no new matter has been added by these amendments.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to provide antecedent bases for claims 1-10, in the manner indicated by the Examiner. This amendment is fully supported by, for example, page 2, line 29 (or, paragraph 9) of the present application. No new matter is believed to have been added by these amendments.

Examiner's rejection of claims 1-12 is respectfully traversed by Applicants. Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

III. Amendments to the Drawings

In accordance with the helpful suggestions by the Examiner, applicants have amended FIGs. 9A and 9B. Applicants also have amended FIG. 8 to correct a minor typographical error. These amendments are set forth in the following table and are fully supported by the original specification and drawings.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to Figures 2-11 for not including reference numerals. The Examiner conceded that reference numerals are not required. Although reference

numerals add clarity to figures in many situations, Applicants believe that reference numerals would not add significant clarity in the present situation.

Figure(s)	Change From	Change To	Justification and Support
Figure 8	"FIG. 8" is added as the name of the figure.		Clerical/Typographical. This amendment is supported by at least the index in the figure ("8/14") in the original application.
Figure 9A, reference character "B"	"B"	"TO FIG. 9B"	Clerical/Typographical. This amendment is supported by at least a diagram on the left side of FIG. 9A in the original application showing that FIG. 9A and FIG. 9B are portions of a flow chart that is referred to as FIG. 9.
Figure 9B, reference character "A"	"A"	"FROM FIG. 9A"	Clerical/Typographical. This amendment is supported by at least a diagram on the left side of FIG. 9A in the original application showing that FIG. 9A and FIG. 9B are portions of a flow chart that is referred to as FIG. 9.
Figure 9B, label	"RETURN TO PREVIOUS"	"RETURN TO PREVIOUS CALLING PROCEDURE"	Clerical/Typographical. This amendment is supported by at least the fact that FIG. 9 (FIGs. 9A and 9B) represents a procedure (page 4, line 16 of the original application), and that the word "return" is known in the art to mean return to a previous procedure that called the present procedure.

IV. Amendments to the Specification

According to the Examiner's requests, applicants have amended the Brief Description of the Drawings in the present application to specifically describe each figure. These amendments are fully supported by the original specification and drawings. No new matter has been added.

V. Rejection of Claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claim 1 has been amended to change the limitation "the subscriber" to "the user." The examiner had correctly pointed out the wording intended by Applicants. This amendment corrects a clerical/typographical error and eliminates the antecedent basis issue with respect to

claims 1-10. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

VI. The Rejection of Claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

The Examiner rejected claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Rajan. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Amended claim 1 recites “generating content access rules for the user,” and “processing the content access rules together with general content access to generate a portal Web page based on a set of content element data applicable to the user.” Rajan does not disclose these features. Rajan is directed to a WEB search system that is configurable with a user portal to search web pages. Column 20, lines 29-32 of Rajan disclose a method “wherein the returned results are aggregated and displayed to, or otherwise made available to users according to enterprise rules.” From the context, it is clear that the “enterprise rules” define how search results returned to a user are displayed in a Web browser. In contrast, “content access rules” in the present application are used to control user access to applications and/or contents in a network, and can pertain to network resources (e.g., bandwidth and/or quality of service) that are managed for providing the access. Hence, “content access rules” in the present application and “enterprise rules” in Rajan represent distinct concepts. In addition, column 6, lines 41-58 of Rajan describe a Web portal page, but there is no indication of how the Web portal page is generated. In contrast, the latter recited portion of claim 1 above does recite a limitation indicating how the page is generated. Hence, amended claim 1 is patentably distinguishable from Rajan.

Independent claim 11 recites “generating a first portal Web page for a first user based on content resource subscription information for the first user.” The Examiner cited column 5, line 66 to column 6, line 8 of Rajan in rejection of claim 11. The cited portion of Rajan mentions personalized portal Web pages, but does not disclose that the portal Web pages are generated “based on content resource subscription information.” Hence, claim 11 is patentably distinguishable from Rajan.

For at least the same reasons, claims 2-10 and 12, each of which depends on one of independent claims 1 and 11, are allowable for at least the same reasons that the independent claims are allowable as set forth above.

In addition, various features recited in dependent claims 2-10 and 12 also make these dependent claims patentably distinguishable from Rajan. For example, in the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claim 3 and 5 by referring to column 5, lines 55-59 of Rajan. Claim 3 recites "by a switch, determining whether the user is an authorized user," and claim 5 recites "using the user's IP address in the authorization determination." Rajan does not disclose these features. The cited portions of Rajan mentions components of a network including a switch, but does not disclose an authorization determination using the switch or a user's IP address. Rajan therefore does not anticipate the features recited in claims 3 and 5 of the present application.

As another example, the Examiner rejected claim 10 by referring to column 18, lines 39-49 of Rajan. Claim 10 recites "by a switch, blocking access by another user to the source based on authorization information residing external to the switch." The cited portions of Rajan describes a process of gaining access to Web sites by users, but does not disclose the use of a switch to "block access by another user to the source." Hence, Rajan does not anticipate the feature recited in claim 10.

For the above reasons, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of claims 1-12.

VII. .Petition For Extension Of Time

Applicants have submitted herewith a petition for a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action dated November 29, 2005. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required for this response, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to deposit account no. 08-0219.

VIII. Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that, as described above, the cited references do not show or suggest the combination of features recited in the amended claims. Applicants have provided specific examples of elements in the claims that are clearly not present in the cited prior art.

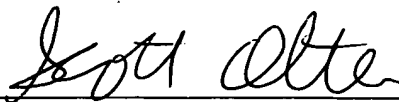
Applicants strongly emphasize that one reviewing the prosecution history should not interpret any of the examples Applicants have described herein in connection with distinguishing over the prior art as limiting to those specific features in isolation. Rather, Applicants assert that it is the combination of elements recited in each of the claims, when each claim is interpreted as a whole, which is patentable. Applicants have emphasized certain features in the amended claims as clearly not present in the cited references, as discussed above. However, Applicants do not concede that other features in the claims are found in the prior art. Rather, for the sake of simplicity, Applicants are providing examples of why the amended claims described above are patentably distinguishable over the cited prior art.

Further, Applicants hereby retract any arguments and/or statements made during prosecution that are rejected by the Examiner during prosecution and/or that are unnecessary to obtain allowance, and only maintain the arguments that persuade the Examiner with respect to the allowability of the patent claims, as one of ordinary skill would understand from a review of the prosecution history. That is, Applicants specifically retract statements that one of ordinary skill would recognize from reading the file history as not necessary, not used and/or rejected by the Examiner in allowing the patent application.

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application, as amended, is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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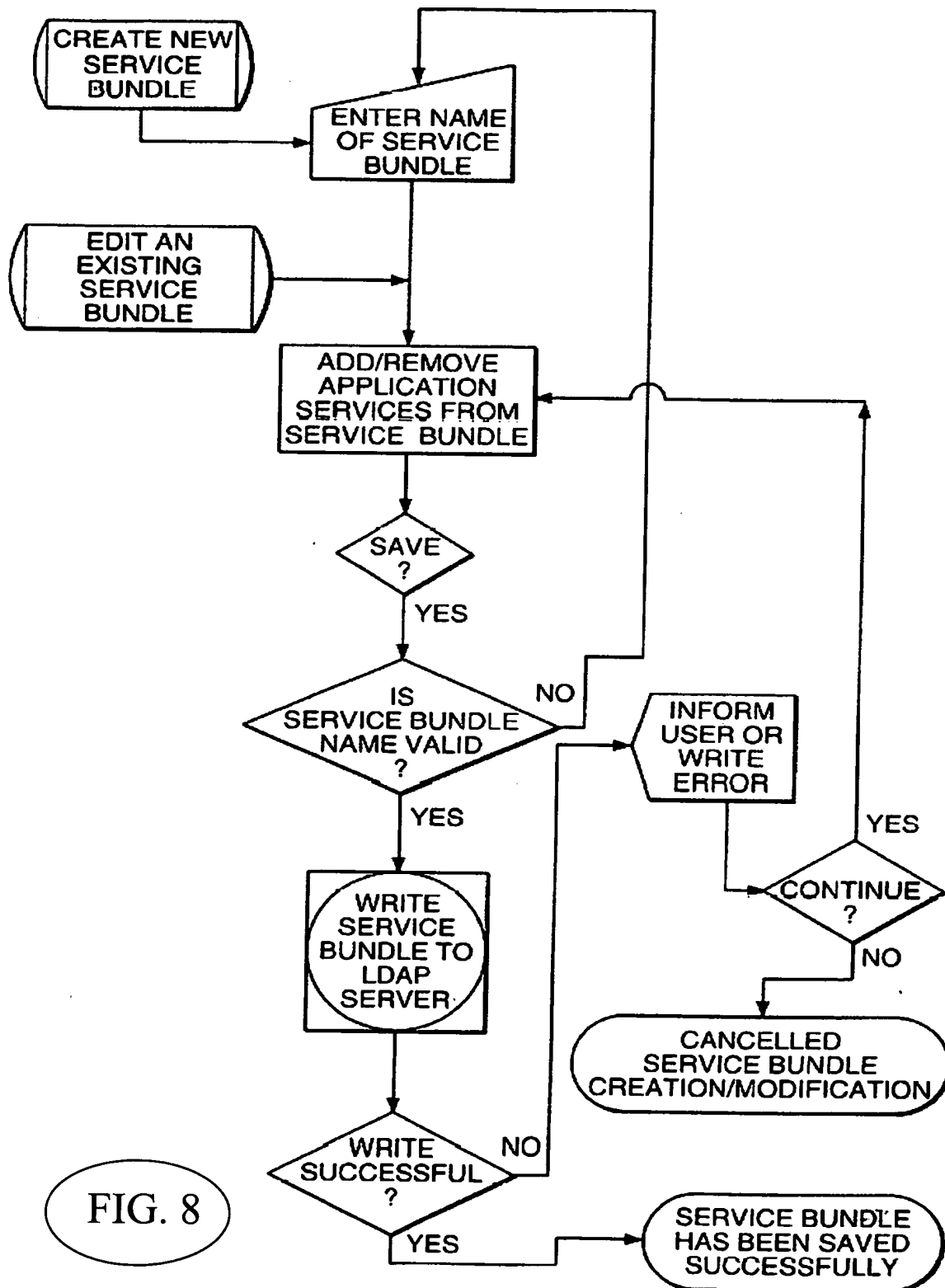
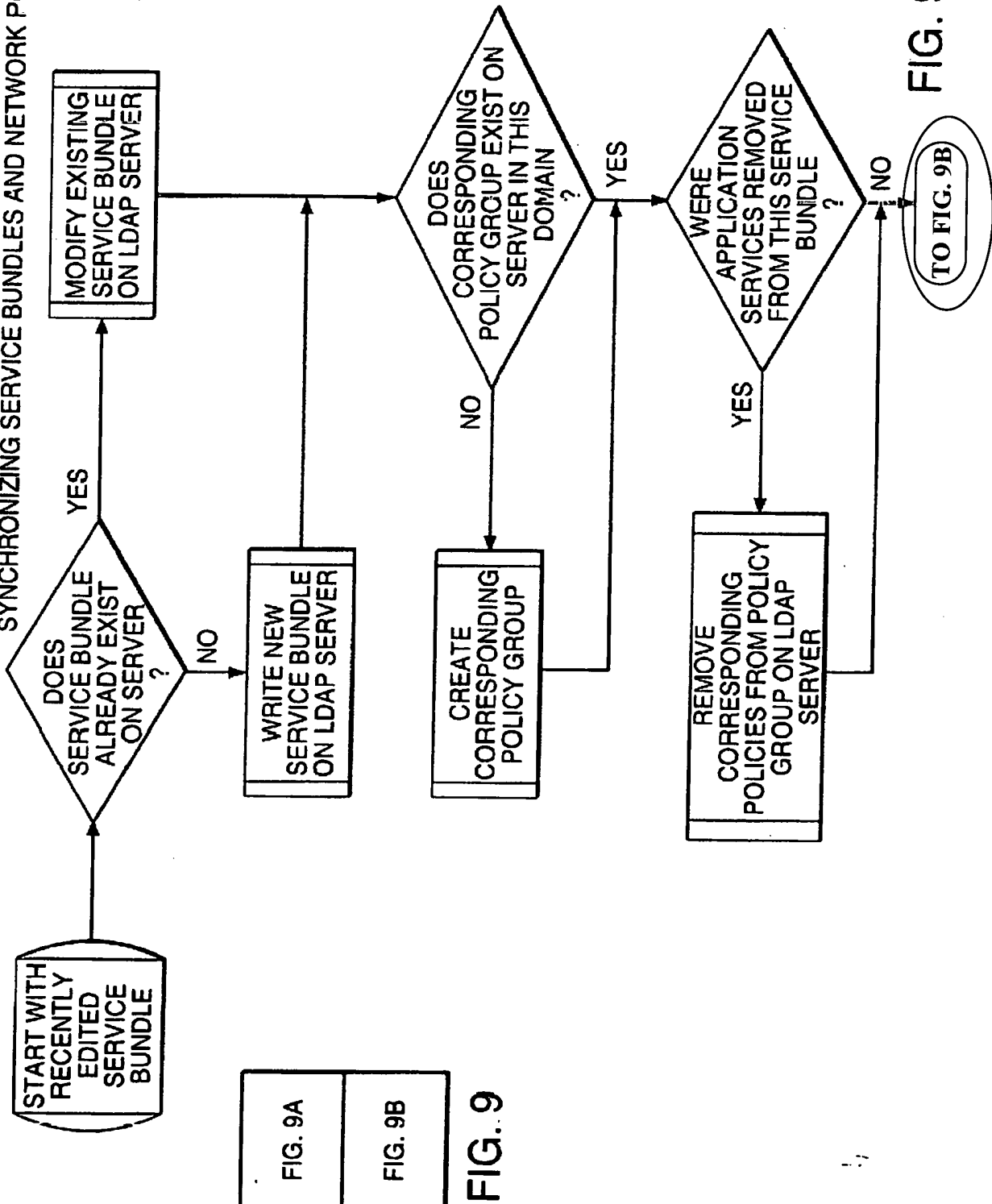


FIG. 8

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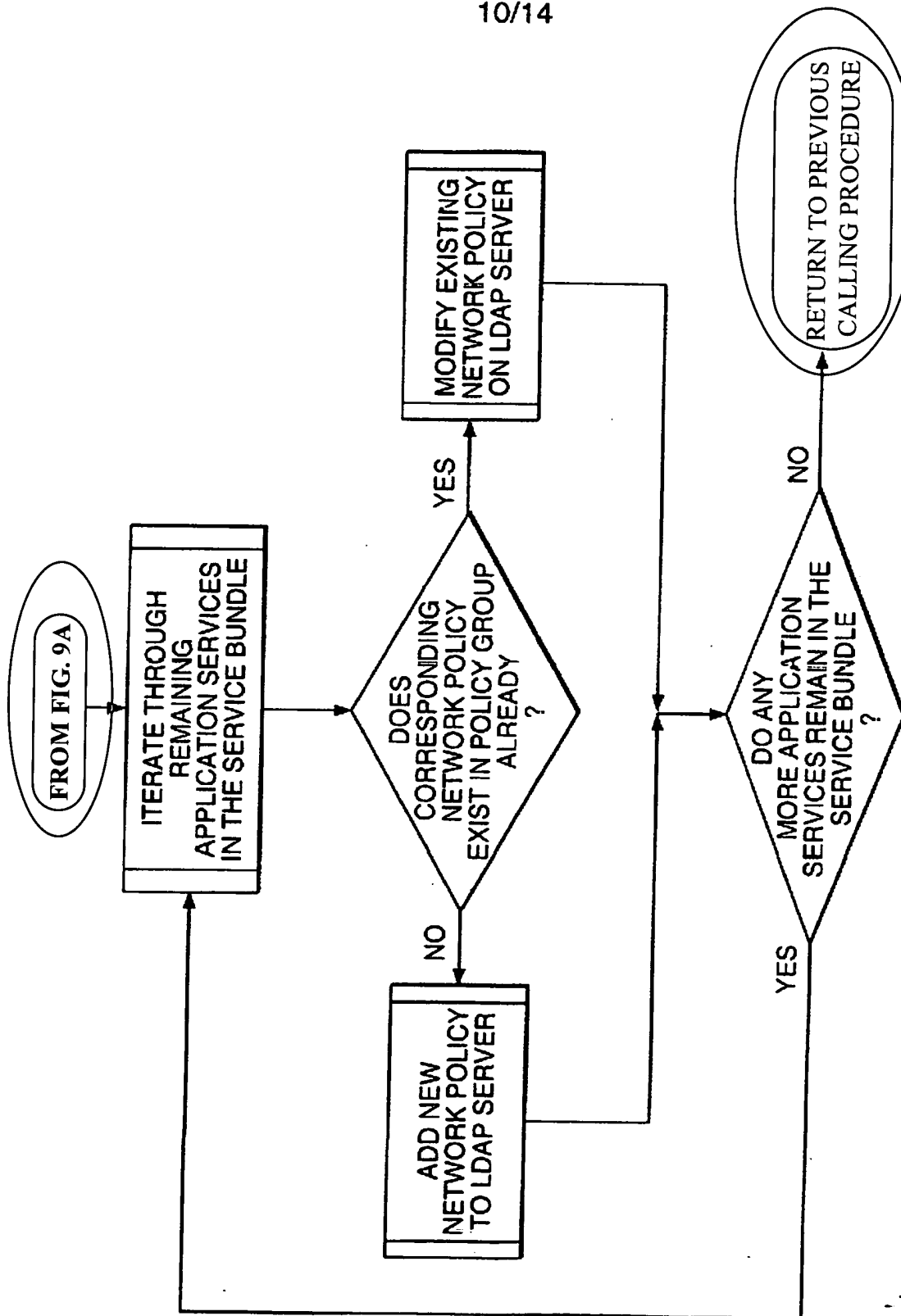


FIG. 9B